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# Enjoy the end of summer

By Councilwoman Rose Herrera

*Special to the Times*

School days are here again! The start of the new school year is a fresh start for students and parents alike. It's a great time to enjoy the late-summer and early fall activities in San Jose. We get to enjoy a few more months of fabulous weather in our beautiful city, so take a look at what's coming up.

## Movie Nights

The days are still long and the nights are perfect for an outdoor movie. On Friday, Aug. 20, Evergreen Village Square will host a viewing of "Fantastic Mr. Fox" at 8:30 p.m. I'm proud to co-sponsor Evergreen Village Square's outdoor movie night with Involved Evergreen.

On Saturday, Aug. 28, watch "Up" on the Jumbotron screen at the San Jose Giants Municipal Stadium. Parking and admission are free. You can bring a picnic or purchase food and drinks at the stadium. Bring a blanket and stretch out on the field for a fun night. This event is sponsored by Comcast, Happy Hollow, and the San Jose Giants.

## Fall 2010 Park, Recreation and Neighborhood Services classes

San Jose's Fall 2010 Citywide Activity Guide is now available! Go online to [sanjoseca.gov/prns](http://sanjoseca.gov/prns) for a complete list of all the activities. Classes are offered at the skate park at Lake Cunningham, Evergreen Community Center, and facilities throughout the city. There is something for everyone and at reasonable prices.

## 30th Annual Italian Family Festa

Bring your family and friends to the Italian Family Festa, which runs from Friday, Aug. 27 through Sunday, Aug. 29. For the first time ever, this event will be held at the Guadalupe River Park next to Little Italy San Jose (located right off Highway 87 at the intersection of Almaden Boulevard and Julian Street). This is a fun event filled with arts and crafts, Italian musicians and performers, and real Italian food. Introduce your family to San Jose's Italian heritage. It is a cultural event you will not want to miss. Admission is free!

## Have your voice heard!

I am hosting a community meeting on the proposed sale of San Jose Municipal Water System. The meeting will be held on Monday, Aug. 30, 7 – 8 p.m. at the Evergreen Community Center. Selling the water system was one of the many proposals to avoid future budget deficits. I am concerned about the impact the sale of the Water System will have on Evergreen. In this meeting, we will hear from the City Manager's office about the proposed sale, the public process, ask questions, and share your concerns. Please attend to get informed and have your voice heard!

## Antique Autos in History Park

On Sunday, Sept. 12 from noon to 5 p.m., enjoy the 10th Annual Antique

Autos in History Park. The free event, which is sponsored by the Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club and History San Jose, will present a collection of antique autos, fire equipment, bicycles and motorcycles of all makes from the late 1800s until 1945. J.P. & The Rhythm Chasers will provide music of the 1920s and '30s from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., and Danse Libre will perform dances from the 1920s and '30s.

## San Jose Mariachi and Mexican Heritage Festival

From Sept. 15 through Sept. 26, the Mariachi Festival returns! This annual event celebrates Mexican music, culture, and food. The concert schedule is world-class, with performers like Eugenia Leon, Los Tigres Del Norte, and Mariacho Los Camperos. For a complete schedule, and more event information, see [sanjosemariachifestival.com](http://sanjosemariachifestival.com).

On Sunday, Sept. 26, Feria del Mariachi will be held at San Jose's Plaza de Cesar Chavez from 10 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. Enjoy two stages of Mexican regional and traditional music, folk dancing, family activities, artisans, Mexican food, and more. Before the Feria, come to the Cathedral Basilica of Saint Joseph for a special Mariachi Mass at 10 a.m.

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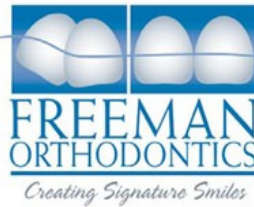
I hope you are able to make it out to one, some or all of these events and I look forward to seeing you there. It has been a great summer and we are fortunate to have a few more months of fabulous weather in our beautiful city to enjoy these wonderful events. For more information on any of these events or any issue you may have, please contact my office at (408) 535-4908 or [district8@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:district8@sanjoseca.gov).



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